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Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
July 2	Esparta	42	0	0	0
4	Adirondack	38	1	0	0
5	Hispania	21	0	0	0
6	Zent.	51	0	0	0
7	Mt. Vernon	20	0	0	0
8	Preston	35	3	2	0

Report from San José—Quarantine against Colon and Panama and other Isthmian ports on account of plague.

The following is received from Minister Merry, under date of June 29:

I have the honor to forward herewith (inclosure No. 1) copy and translation of a decree issued on 26th instant by the Government of Costa Rica prohibiting the entry of all vessels from the Isthmus of Panama, owing to the reported existence of the bubonic plague at that location, although only one fatal case has thus far been reported, supposed to have been carried to Panama in the Chilean steamship *Chile* from the infected ports of that Republic. Special attention is now being given by the local authorities here to sanitation. The ports of Limon and Puntarenas continue healthy. There has not occurred at Limon a case of yellow fever for nearly one year.

[Inclosure.]

OFFICIAL DAILY.

SAN JOSÉ, *Wednesday, June 28, 1905.*

[Department of Police. No. 57. San José, June 26, 1905.]

Attending to what this secretaryship has been informed, that there has occurred at Panama a case of bubonic plague, and to save the Republic from the invasion of so terrible a scourge there should be dictated without any delay the necessary measures, commencing by stopping all communication with the place infected and those by which their proximity or connection therewith will be now exposed to acquire the contagion, and that for said cause our maritime traffic with the city of Panama should cease and the measure extended to Colon and other ports of the Isthmus, as they are always in constant communication.

Accordingly the President of the Republic decrees:

The ports of the Republic shall be closed to all vessels proceeding from Panama, Colon, or any other location on the Isthmus, or which makes connection with said places.

Let it be published.

Subscribed by the President.

ASTUA AGUILAR,
Minister of Foreign Relations, etc.